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Wellesley Police Department Shelves Razors for No Shave November

November 3, 2020 (Wellesley, MA) - The Wellesley Police Department is again participating in "No Shave November," an annual fundraising and awareness effort where participants from around the world, including many law enforcement agencies, put down their razors to join the fight against cancer. Every dollar raised supports efforts to fund cancer research and education to help prevent the disease and aid those fighting a battle against cancer.

Wellesley Police Chief Jack Pilecki authorized members of the Wellesley Police Department to participate in this event and waived the standard facial hair grooming policy during the month of November 2020, allowing officers to grow out their facial hair in support of this national campaign.

"No Shave November" challenges participants to forgo shaving in order to promote conversation and raise cancer awareness. Members of the Wellesley Police Department participating in this campaign will each donate \$100 to this cause. This is money that would typically be spent on shaving and grooming. Every dollar raised during this event will be donated to Cops for Kids with Cancer, an organization supporting families with children battling cancer. These families can receive a check for \$5000 or more to help their battle with this terrible disease and improve their quality of life.

Residents who would like to support this cause are encouraged to learn more and donate through the Cops for Kids with Cancer website.

Every day 26,000 people die from cancer worldwide. Nearly half of cancer diagnoses and deaths are preventable. The mission of "No Shave November" is to not only raise funds for cancer research and treatment, but also to educate the public about preventative measures. Learn more at https://no-shave.org/